Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

The Senate stands in recess until 11 a.m., on Thursday, October 27, 2011.

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 8 public bills, H.R. 3261–3268 were introduced. Page H7133

Additional Cosponsors: Pages H7134-35

Reports Filed: There were no reports filed today.

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Cravaack to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:22 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon.

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Amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income and amending the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments—Rule for Consideration: The House agreed to H. Res. 448, the rule that is providing for consideration of H.R. 2576, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the calculation of modified adjusted gross income for purposes of determining eligibility for certain healthcare-related programs and H.R. 674, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the imposition of 3 percent withholding on certain payments made to vendors by government entities, by a recorded vote of 253 ayes to 172 noes, Roll No. 811, after the previous question was ordered by a yea-and-nay vote of 243 ayes to 178 noes, Roll No. 810. Pages H7084-90, H7112-13

Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2011: The House passed H.R. 1904, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources in southeast Arizona by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, by a recorded vote of 235 ayes to 186 noes, Roll No. 809.

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Rejected the Deutch motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Natural Resources with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 187 ayes to 237 noes, Roll No. 808. Pages H7110–11

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on Natural Resources now printed in the bill, modified by the amendment printed in part A of H. Rept. 112–258, shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule.

Pages H7100–02

Rejected:

Luján amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–258) that sought to exempt all Native American sacred and cultural sites from the land conveyance (by a recorded vote of 189 ayes to 233 noes, Roll No. 805);

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Markey amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–258) that sought to require, as a condition of the land exchange authorized by the bill, that Resolution Copper pay an 8 percent royalty to the United States on all locatable minerals produced in commercial quantities from the Federal land the company receives in the exchange (by a recorded vote of 173 ayes to 238 noes, Roll No. 806); and

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Grijalva amendment (No. 3 printed in part B of H. Rept. 112–258) that sought to require that the remote operations center for the proposed mine be

located in the local community, that the company actively recruit and hire local employees, that all ore produced from the mine be processed in the United States and that all equipment used at the mine be made in the United States (by a recorded vote of 182 ayes to 240 noes, Roll No. 807).

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H. Res. 444, the rule providing for consideration of the bill, was agreed to yesterday, October 25th.

Recess: The House recessed at 3:05 p.m. and reconvened at 3:45 p.m. Page H7107

Moment of Silence: The House observed a moment of silence in honor of the men and women in uniform who have given their lives in the service of our Nation in Iraq and Afghanistan, their families, and all who serve in the armed forces and their families.

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Suspension—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure which was debated yesterday, October 25th:

National Baseball Hall of Fame Commemorative Coin Act: H.R. 2527, amended, to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in recognition and celebration of the National Baseball Hall of Fame, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 416 yeas to 3 nays, Roll No. 812.

Pages H7113–14

Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and six recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7108, H7108–09. H7109–10, H7111, H7111–12, H7112–13, H7113, H7113–14. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DEFENSE SEQUESTRATION

Committee on Armed Services: Full Committee held a hearing on economic consequences of defense sequestration. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

ARMY ACQUISITION AND MODERNIZATION

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Army acquisition and modernization. Testimony was heard from Lieutenant General Robert P. Lennox, USA, Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army, G–8; Lieutenant General William N. Phillips, USA, Military Deputy to the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Acquisition, Logistics and Technology); and Belva M. Martin, Di-

rector, Acquisition and Sourcing Management Government Accountability Office.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Education and the Workforce: Full Committee held a markup of H.R. 3094, the "Workforce Democracy and Fairness Act." The bill was ordered reported, as amended.

CLASS CANCELLED

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations; and the Subcommittee on Health held a joint hearing entitled "CLASS Cancelled: An Unsustainable Program and Its Consequences for the Nation's Deficit." Testimony was heard from Rep. Rehberg; Rep. Boustany; Rep. Deutch; Patrick J. Kennedy, former Member of Congress; Kathy Greenlee, Assistant Secretary for Aging, Administration on Aging (AOA), Department of Health and Human Services; and Sherry Glied, Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation (ASPE), Department of Health and Human Services.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Financial Services: Full Committee held a markup of the following: H.R. 2940, the "Access to Capital for Job Creators Act"; H.R. 2167, the "Private Company Flexibility and Growth Act"; H.R. 1965, to amend the securities laws to establish certain thresholds for shareholder registration, and for other purposes; and H.R. 2930, the "Entrepreneur Access to Capital Act." H.R. 2930 was ordered reported, as amended. The following were ordered reported without amendment: H.R. 1965; H.R. 2167; and H.R. 2940.

U.S.-KOREA ALLIANCE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific held a hearing on "The Expanding U.S.-Korea Alliance." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

IRANIAN TERROR OPERATIONS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Counterterrorism and Intelligence; and Subcommittee on Oversight Investigations and Management held a joint hearing entitled "Iranian Terror Operations on American Soil." Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Oversight Hearing on the Department of Homeland Security." Testimony was heard from Janet Napolitano, Secretary, Department of Homeland Security.